GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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Cultural Development Programmes
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps for promotion of cultural development programmes in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the schemes formulated for promoting cultural development programmes in the country; and

(c) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for promoting culture of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.116 FOR 2ND MAY, 2016

(a) to (c) Yes Madam. The Ministry of culture is responsible for preservation, development and promotion of both tangible and intangible cultural heritage of India, which it implements through its schemes and Organizations located in various States of the country.

The Ministry ensures preservation and conservation of centrally protected monuments of national importance through Archaeological Survey of India in terms of provisions contained in the Ancient Monuments & Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and amendments thereunder. Similarly, the Ministry promotes the museum movement in the country through various Museums under its administrative control and also through grant-in-aids under Museum Grant Scheme.

In order to preserve, promote and disseminate art and culture, the Ministry also extends financial support to individuals, groups of individuals and cultural organizations engaged in performing, visual and literary arts directly as well as through Organizations under its administrative control through schemes like-

1. Performing Arts Grants Scheme
2. Scheme guidelines on Financial Assistance to Cultural Organizations with National presence
3. Building Grants, including Studio Theater
4. Scheme for Tagore Cultural Complexes
5. Artistes Pension Scheme and Welfare Fund
6. Cultural Function and Production Grant Scheme
7. Award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the field of Culture
8. Award of Scholarships to Young Artistes in Different Cultural Fields
9. Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research
10. Scheme for financial Assistance for Capacity Building and Training of Museum Professionals
11. Museum Grant Scheme
12. Scheme for Financial Assistance for Digitization of Museum Collections
13. Guidelines for setting up of Science Cities
14. Revised Norms for setting up of Science Centers
15. Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organizations/Societies for Development and Maintenance of National Memorials
16. Grant in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations for Organizing Centenaries/ Anniversaries
17. Scheme of Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/ Tibetan Culture and Art
18. Scheme of Financial Assistance for the Preservation and Development of Cultural Heritage of the Himalayas
19. Scheme for Promoting International Cultural Relations
20. Financial Assistance to Foreign Artists & Cultural Professionals to Study and/ or Learn Indian Culture (Intangible Cultural Heritage) in any form

21. Financial Assistance for Participation in International and Domestic Book Fairs and International Events
22. Scheme of Grant-in-aid to Indo-Foreign Friendship Cultural Societies as approved by the Standing Finance Committee
23. Scheme for "Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage and Diverse Cultural Traditions of India".